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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: NEGOTIATIONS: SOLAR ELECGRO-OPTICAL NETWORK (SEON)
FACILITY

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1. CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON THE TURKISH ARMS EMBARGO COULD HAVE AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON NEGOTIATION OF THE SEON FACILITY AGREEMENT. SO FAR, HOWEVER, THE GREEKS WHO WILL PARTICIPATE ARE INDICATING THEIR READINESS TO PROCEED AS SOON AS THE U.S. TEAM ARRIVES. LIKE ALL GREEKS WHO READ NEWSPAPERS THEY ARE AWARE THAT CONGRESS MAY TAKE ACTION WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.

2. TO DELAY IN ANTICIPATION OF PROBLEMS DURING EARLY AUGUST WOULD MEAN POSTPONEMENT UNTIL SEPTEMBER, AFTER THE GREEK PARTICIPANTS RETURN FROM SUMMER HOLIDAY. THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THAT ANY PROBLEMS CREATED BY CONGRESSIONAL ACTION WOULD HAVE DISSIPATED BY THEN.

3. WE BELIEVE WE SHOULD BE AUTHORIZED TO INFORM THE MFA THAT THE TEAM CAN ARRIVE IN TIME FOR NEGOTIATIONS TO BEGIN ON JULY 31. IF THE GREEK PARTICIPANTS HAVE ANY DOUBTS CONCERNING THE EFFECT OF CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON THE TEAM'S
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ACTIVITIES, THEY MAY RAISE THEM THEN AND WE CAN REACT ACCORDINGLY.
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